U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CRIMINAL DIVISION

EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY, GS-14/15 RESIDENT LEGAL ADVISOR - KOSOVO

About the Office: The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so they can cooperate more fully with the Department of Justice in combating terrorism, trafficking in persons, organized crime, corruption, and financial crimes.

Responsibilities and

Opportunity Offered: The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as a Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) in Pristina, Kosovo. This assignment is for a term of one year and is unaccompanied. A possibility for a one-year extension exists, contingent on additional funding. (This is a reimbursable detail.) The RLA will represent the Department of Justice and OPDAT at the United States Office Pristina, and with other international donors, and will coordinate Departmental justice-sector reform efforts in Kosovo. Important responsibilities include providing assistance regarding the reorganization of the judiciary; advising the newly established Ministry of Justice, the Kosovo Judicial Council, and the Kosovo Special Prosecutor's Office; managing skills development assistance for prosecutors concerning the investigation and prosecution of cases involving organized crime, trafficking in persons, terrorism, money laundering; providing technical assistance regarding asset forfeitures; developing a comprehensive commentary on the criminal procedure code that will serve as guide to local prosecutors for the application of the criminal procedure code; and establishing a legal clinic curriculum and program within the Pristina University Law Faculty.

<u>Qualifications</u>: Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or Assistant United States Attorney and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level.

Preferred qualifications: Applicants must have the ability to function effectively in an international, multi-cultural environment and possess excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive prosecution experience. Specific comparative experience with criminal justice systems in Central and Eastern Europe or general comparative experience with continental criminal legal systems is desired. Proficiency in Albanian or Serbo-Croatian would be beneficial, but is not required.

Travel: The position requires frequent travel within the region.

<u>Salary Information</u>: Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level. (See OPM's Web page at www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm)

Location: The RLA will be stationed in Pristina, Kosovo beginning in the summer of 2006.

Relocation Expenses: Relocation expenses are not authorized.

Submission Process and Deadline Date:

Interested applicants should send a resume and cover letter as soon as possible to the attention of Teresa Braun, Program Analyst, Central and Eastern Europe, United States Department of Justice, Criminal Division/OPDAT, 10th and Pennsylvania Aves., NW, Washington, D.C. 20530. Ms. Braun's fax number is (202) 616-6770. E-mailed submissions are also acceptable. Ms. Braun's email address is Teresa.Braun@usdoj.gov.

This position is open until filled.